

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 14) authorizing expenditures by the Committee, and adopted its rules of procedure for the 109th Congress.

### CURRENT MILITARY OPERATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding current military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan from Donald H. Rumsfeld, Secretary of Defense; and General John P. Abizaid, USA, Commander, United States Central Command.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 15) authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 109th Congress, and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Financial Institutions:* Senators Bennett (Chairman), Allard, Santorum, Sununu, Martinez, Hagel, Bunning, Crapo, Johnson, Carper, Dodd, Reed, Stabenow, and Bayh.

*Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation:* Senators Allard (Chairman), Santorum, Dole, Enzi, Bennett, Martinez, Shelby, Reed, Stabenow, Corzine, Dodd, Carper and Schumer.

*Subcommittee on Securities and Investment:* Senators Hagel (Chairman), Enzi, Sununu, Martinez, Bennett, Bunning, Crapo, Dole, Allard, Santorum, Dodd, Johnson, Reed, Schumer, Bayh, Stabenow, Corzine, and Carper.

*Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance:* Senators Crapo (Chairman), Hagel, Enzi, Sununu, Dole, Bayh, Johnson, and Corzine.

*Subcommittee on Economic Policy:* Senators Bunning (Chairman), Shelby, and Schumer.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

Samuel W. Bodman, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Energy; and

An original resolution (S. Res. 13) authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Energy:* Senators Alexander (Chairman), Burr, Martinez, Talent, Allen, Bunning, Murkowski, Craig, Thomas, Burns, Dorgan, Akaka, Johnson, Landrieu, Feinstein, Cantwell, Corzine, and Salazar.

*Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests:* Senators Craig (Chairman), Burns, Thomas, Talent, Smith, Alexander, Murkowski, Allen, Wyden, Akaka, Dorgan, Johnson, Landrieu, Feinstein, and Cantwell.

*Subcommittee on National Parks:* Senators Thomas (Chairman), Alexander, Allen, Burr, Martinez, Smith, Akaka, Wyden, Landrieu, Corzine, and Salazar.

*Subcommittee on Water and Power:* Senators Murkowski (Chairman), Smith, Craig, Burr, Martinez, Burns, Bunning, Talent, Johnson, Dorgan, Wyden, Feinstein, Cantwell, Corzine, and Salazar.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 17) authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 109th Congress, and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Senators Bond (Chairman), Warner, Voinovich, Chafee, Murkowski, Thune, Baucus, Lieberman, Boxer, Carper, and Clinton.

*Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety:* Senators Voinovich (Chairman), Bond, DeMint, Isakson, Vitter, Carper, Lieberman, Lautenberg, and Obama.

*Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water:* Senators Chafee (Chairman), Warner, Murkowski, DeMint, Vitter, Clinton, Lieberman, Lautenberg, and Obama.

*Subcommittee on Superfund and Waste Management:* Senators Thune (Chairman), Isakson, Warner, Bond, Boxer, Baucus, and Lautenberg.

### MULTI-EMISSIONS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine the need for multi-emissions legislation, focusing on the Clean Air Act, National Ambient Air Quality Standards, and the Clear Skies Act, after receiving testimony from Indiana State Senator Beverly Gard, Indianapolis; Mayor Bob Young, Augusta, Georgia, on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Mayors; John A. Paul, Regional Air Pollution Control Agency, Dayton, Ohio, on the behalf of State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators and Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials; Ronald R. Harper, Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bismarck,

North Dakota; Conrad G. Schneider, Clean Air Task Force, Boston, Massachusetts; and Fred Parady, OCI Wyoming, L.P., Green River, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security, focusing on management challenges related to border security, transportation security, integration, intelligence, and preparedness, after receiving testimony from Richard L. Skinner, Acting Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security; James Jay Carafano, The Heritage Foundation, and Richard A. Falkenrath, The Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael A. Wermuth, RAND Corporation, Arlington, Virginia; and Stephen E. Flynn, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 16) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 19) authorizing expenditures by the committee, and agreed to continue the protocol used in the 108th Congress for the release of information obtained by subpoena in the ongoing Indian lobbying investigation.

Also, committee elected Senator McCain as the Chairman and Senator Dorgan as Vice Chairman, and adopted its rules of procedure for the 109th Congress.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales, of Texas, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 21) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee, and approved the committee's rules of procedure for the 109th Congress.

Also, committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

#### INTERNET PHARMACY AND DRUG IMPORTATION

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the risks and benefits associated with Internet pharmacies, focusing on the importation of prescription drugs into the United States, and reducing the costs of prescription drugs, after receiving testimony from Richard H. Carmona, Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Jeff Kimmell, drugstore.com, Bellevue, Washington; Gary A. Schnabel, Oregon State Board of Pharmacy, Portland; Mary Jorgensen, Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups, Madison; and Roger Pilon, CATO Institute, Washington, D.C.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 65 public bills, H.R. 366–430; 2 private bills, H.R. 431–432; and; 19 resolutions, H.J. Res. 12–14; H. Con. Res. 28–35, and H. Res. 48–55 were introduced. **Pages H233–36**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H236**

**Reports Filed:** No reports were filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaHood to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H199**

**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 48, electing the following members to the following standing committees:

*Committee on Agriculture:* Representatives Boehner, Pombo, Everett, Lucas (OK), Moran (KS), Jenkins, Gutknecht, Hayes, Johnson (IL), Osborne, Pence, Graves, Bonner, Rogers (AL), King (IA), Musgrave,